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SUBJECT: EAST-WEST STUDY: SVART PARTICIPATION

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- 1. AMBASSADOR BENNETT OF NATO AND MFA POL DIRECTOR OLE BIERRING DISCUSSED DANISH PARTICIPATION IN EAST-WEST DTUDY DURING LUNCH AUG 20 WITH CHARGE.
- 2. AMBASSADOR BENNETT TOLD BIERRING THAT USG WAS PLEASED THAT SVART, WITH HIS LONG EXPERIENCE AS CONFIDENTIAL

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AMBASSADOR TO PEKING AND MOSCOW BEFORE NATO, HAD AGREED TO TAKE PART IN "WISE MAN" STUDY ALONG WITH UK PERM REP KILLICK AND CANADIAN AMBASSADOR FORD. BIERRING REPLIED THAT SVART HIMSELF WAS LOOKING FORWARD TO ASSIGNMENT AND THAT DANISH

GOVERNMENT WAS HONORED THAT SVART HAD BEEN CHOSEN.

3. YESTERDAY (AUG 22) BIERRING'S DEPUTY, AMBASSADOR DYVIG, TOLD CHARGE THAT HE HAD DISCUSSED STUDY WITH SVART (WHO IS NOW IN COPENHAGEN ON CONSULTATION) AND THAT HE WAS ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT TAKING PART IN STUDY. SVART SAID HE WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH USNATO ON HIS RETURN TO BRUSSELS. SVART TOLD DYVIG THAT HIS WOULD BE A "PERSONAL CONTRIBUTION" AND THAT, THEREFORE, DANISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS WOULD BE FREE TO CRITICIZE IT, IF THEY FELD SO MOVED.

4. FYI: WE HAVE LEARNED THAT AMBASSADOR SVART WILL PROBABLY REMAIN UNTIL ABOUT SEPT 1978 AND THEN BE REPLACED BY AMBASSADOR BIERRING. HOWEVER, THIS SHOULD BE CLOSELY HELD, FOR OBVIOUS REASONS.

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